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TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to Examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered into the application.

#### In the Claims:

In accordance with 37 C.F.F. § 1.121, please substitute for original claims 3-5 the following rewritten versions of the same claims, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made".

- 3. (Amended) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim 1, which further comprises a clock synchronizing means for synchronizing clocks generated in the sampling clock generators in the first and second terminals.
- 4. (Amended) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim 1, which further comprises a frequency difference eliminating means for eliminating the frequency difference between the clocks generated in the sampling clock generators in the first and second terminals.

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5. (Amended) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim 1, wherein a synchronous data transmission line is connected to the data generators and the data reproducers in the first and second terminals.

Please add the following new claims:

- 11. (New) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim 2, which further comprises a clock synchronizing means for synchronizing clocks generated in the sampling clock generators in the first and second terminals.
- 12. (New) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim 2, which further comprises a frequency difference eliminating means for eliminating the frequency difference between the clocks generated in the sampling clock generators in the first and second terminals.
- 13. (New) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim 2, wherein a synchronous data transmission line is connected to the data generators and the data reproducers in the first and second terminals.

# **REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments to Claim 3-5 and the addition of new claims 11-13 be entered in order to avoid this application incurring a surcharge for the presence of one or more multiple dependent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

- (Amended) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim
   [or 2], [wherein] which further comprises a clock synchronizing means for synchronizing clocks generated in the sampling clock generators in the first and second terminals.
- 4. (Amended) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim 1 [or 2], which further comprises a frequency difference eliminating means for eliminating the frequency difference between the clocks generated in the sampling clock generators in the first and second terminals.
- 5. (Amended) The synchronous data transmission system according to claim1 [or2], wherein a synchronous data transmission line is connected to the data generators and the data reproducers in the first and second terminals.